Gajray project at Nagpur

2661. SHRI V. RAJESHWAR RAO: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether land has been acquired for 'Gajray' Project at Nagpur;

(b) whether any requests have been received for more compensation from farmers whose lands are being acquired; and

(c) if so, what has been decided by Government on their demands?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) No such proposal has been received under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

राउरकेला इस्पात संयंत्र सेल का मशीनी करण

2662. **श्री गया सिंह** : क्या **पर्यावरण और वन** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) राउरकेला इस्पात संयंत्र (सेल) के आधुनिकीकरण के संबंध में पर्यावरण विभाग द्वारा की गई आपत्ति के बारे में स्थिति क्या है; और

(ख) इस बारे में क्या अंतिम निर्णय लिया गया है ?

पर्यावरण और वन मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री कमल नाथ) : (क) और (ख) पहले दी गई पर्यावरणीय मंजूरी को अस्थगित कर दिया गया है तथा परियोजना प्राधिकारियों को निदेश दिया गया है कि वे 31 दिसम्बर, 1993 तक शर्तों का पालन करें ।

Commercialisation of Wild Life Products

2663. SHRI MOHAMMED AFZAL alias MEEM AFZAL: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether commercialisation of Wild Life products is causing extinction of rare wild life species including 'Big cass'; and

(b) if so, what are the positive action programmes Government have taken to stop this?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORSTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) Yes, Sir. Trade in products of wild animal in Foreign countries continues to pose a threat to the survival of wild species, including big cats, in India and other countries.

(b) Government of India has taken following steps to prevent extinction of rare wild life species:

(i) A network of protected areas has been created throughout the country covering the ranging grounds of almost all the important animals to conserv the endangered species of wild life.

(ii) The Government of India has totally banned the trade in products of Scheduled animals in India by law with the 1991 Amendment of Wild life (Protection) Act, 1972.

(iii) India has become a member of Convention of International Trade in Endangered Species of wild fauna and flora (CITIES) in order to exercise control over the international trade on specified wildlife articles with full cooperation of other members of CITES.

(iv) 4 Regional and 3 sub-regional offices have been established by Government of India in major trade/export outlets in India to check illegal traffic in wild animal products.

(v) States have been advised to coordinate and liaise with the Directorate of Revenue Intelligence, Armed Forces, Customs and Coast Guards authorities for better enforcement of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.

(vi) Through the State Governments action is being taken to strengthen anti-poaching measures by providing arms and ammunation to forest guards, improving their communication capabilities, conducting raids on the basis of information about illegal trade in wildlife poduce etc.

Seminar on Environmental Audit in respect of industries

2664. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a Seminar, on the need for introducing enviornmental audit in respect of industries was held in New Delhi on 1st February, 1993.

(b) if so, what observations and suggesions have been made therein; and

(c) what steps have been and are being taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORSTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) to (c) Government do not have information regarding a Seminar on the need for introducing environmental audit held on February 1, 1993. However, a Notification has been issued under which all the industries which are required to take consent or authorisation or both, are required to submit an environmental statement in the prescribed form to the respective State Pollution Control Board beginning May 1993. A scheme has been initiated to conduct environmntal audit in identified 17 categories of industries of industries through the sectoral institutes.

हरियाणा में वन रोपण के क्षेत्र में उपलब्धि

1665. **श्री रामजी लाल :** क्या **पर्यावरण और वन** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या वन रोपण के संबंध में गत तीन वर्षों और 28 फरवरी, 1993 तक के लिए निर्धारित किए गये लक्ष्यों को पूरा कर लिया गया है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो हरियाणा के विशेष संदर्भ सहित इसका राज्य-वार ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ग) यदि उपर्युक्त भाग (क) का उत्तर "ना" है तो, इसके क्या कारण हैं

(घ) उक्त अवधि के दौरान वन-रोपण हेतु हरियाणा को कितनी अनुदान राशि दी गई; और

(ङ) वर्ष 1993-94 के लिए कितनी अनुदान राशि दिये जाने का प्रस्ताव है ?

पर्यावरण और वन मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री कमल नाथ) : (क) से (ग) वर्ष 1989-90 से 1992-93 (जनवरी 1993 की समाप्ति तक) की अवधि के दौरान 20 सूत्री कार्यक्रम के अधीन वनीकरण/वृक्षारोपण कार्यकलापों के हरियाणा सहित राज्य-वार लक्ष्य और उपलब्धियां अनुपत्र में दी गई हैं। [देखिए परिशिष्ट 166, अनुपत्र संख्या 50]

(घ) और (ङ) वर्ष 1990-91 और 1991-92 के दौरान हरियाणा के लिए 20 सूत्री कार्यक्रम के अधीन वनीकरण/वृक्षारोपण कार्यकलापों का आवंटन निम्न प्रकार है :—

1990-91	2389.85 लाख रुपए
1991-92	3937.75 लाख रुपए